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AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, May 05, 2024 starting 8:30 A.M. with Br. Tony Berger presiding.

Opening Hymn: "O Jesu Christe, Gott der Ehren" No. 802 vs 1-3 Seite 792

Testimony: J.C.Gleim, June 30, 1715

Scripture: Acts 1:15-26

Psalm 85

Closing Hymn: "O Jesu Christe, Gott der Ehren" No. 802 vs 4-6 Seite 792

The Late Service will start at 10:00 A.M. with the following hymns:

Opening Hymn: "Awaken Thou my soul" No. 77

Closing Hymn: "O Dearest Jesus, God of Honor" No. 131

The Wednesday Evening Prayer Service (Nachtgebet) begins at 7:00 P.M. in Middle.

Registration for VBS 2024 is open. Take the dive into God's love as we SCUBA in the sea! VBS will be July 15-19 at Amana Elementary. A link to register is on the church website.

Visitors are welcome to join us in worship at all Amana Church Services. Childcare is available during Sunday's 10:00 A.M. Service

Links to services posted online may be found at: https://amanachurch.com/category/podcast/

AMANA SANITARY DISTRICT MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Amana Sanitary District will be held at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 8, 2024 in the Amana lift station.

RED CROSS LIFE GUARDING COURSE

A new 2024 version of the Red Cross life guarding course will be offered at the Amana Pool in Middle Amana on May 11 and May 18. These will be long days with mandatory attendance. Students will need to be competent swimmers. Potential guards must be 15 by the end of class.

Contact TJ Croco at 319-430-9181 for further information.

This class will be great for learning life-long skills, gaining employment, developing leader-

ART GUILD EVENTS NEWS

Registrations are open for the 2024 Festival of the Arts and the 2024 Amana Plein Air fresh paint event. For more information and to sign up interested artists should visit amanaartsguild.com.

HEY GOOD LOOKIN', THE MUSEUM NEEDS KUCHEN!

Attention all Obstkuchen bakers! The Amana Heritage Society will be a vendor at Maifest again this year. If you are willing to bake Kuchen, we can accept them at the Festhalle grounds beginning at 9am on Saturday, May 4th, 2024. Thanks



Amana Playground Town Hall Meeting

Volunteers working to create a playground in Amana are hosting a public meeting

Tuesday, May 7 at the Amana Heritage Museum in Amana at 6 p.m.

The committee will share current plans for the newly named, Amana Kinderpark, and the new location, plus they will seek suggestions and input from community residents.

Amana Playground Committee members are: Shana Schaefer, Shelby Foster, Marie Hoppe and Kaylieh Myers. Would you like to help with fundraising, playground planning and/ or set up? Come to the May 7 meeting or contact one of the committee members to volunteer.

An entirely new design has been created based upon fund raising goals and community feedback. The new design will be shown at the May 7 meeting. It will be located northeast of the Carding Studio (Amana Woolen Mill complex) not far from hole number 1 of the disc golf course. The location has plenty of space, allows for easy access and has ample parking for cars and bikes.

Marie Hoppe explained that the committee's goal has been to work toward a design that is affordable, easy to maintain and provides plenty of play opportunity for children. Once a playground design is approved by the committee it will be brought to the Amana Colonies Land Use District for approval.

The playground initiative began at the Amana Colonies Convention and Visitors Bureau over a year ago and fundraising began then.

Maifest, Yourfest, Ourfest is Here

We're hoping for sunshine Saturday, but either way there will be lots to do at this year's Maifest. Here's a rundown of what's happening, but check the Festivals in Amana website for a PDF of the Maifest 2024 brochure.

Maipole dancing is always the centerpiece. This year Amana's Maipole Folk Dancers will be performing as follows: Saturday: 11 a.m. at the Festhalle; 11:45 at the Amana Heritage Museum; 12:15 at the Amana General Store; 2 p.m. Festhalle, 2:45 at the Amana Meat Shop and 3:30 at Millstream Brau Haus.

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FEATHERS IN THE WIND

What happened to the storms that we were supposed to have had this weekend? I know that there was some rain, but the weather warnings never amounted to much. Of course, I have these gauzelike curtains that do not allow me to see clearly what is going on outside.

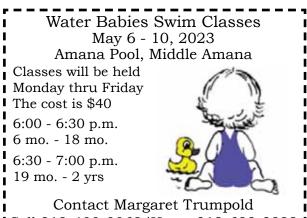
The curtains are my pride and joy. Okay, my "pride." It began with my sister, or was it my Tante Betty, instilled in me this love of Andrew Wyeth's paintings. Tante Betty had a print of the painting "Christina's World" by Wyeth. It is a picture of a woman sitting in some grass staring off into the distance at an old house. Later, I would learn that the woman who modeled for the painting was disabled. She lived with her brother not far from Wyeth, who painted in their house. The pink dress that she is wearing in the picture is one that actually belonged to Wyeth's wife, and adds color to the rather brown toned picture.

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THANK YOU

The family of Willard Dickel would like to thank everyone for all of the cards, food, flowers, and memorial donations. A special thank you to the Middle Amana Church, Elder Alan Trumpold, Kloster Funeral Home, Rose Haven Nursing Home, Essence of Life Hospice of Iowa County, the Amana Church ladies for the wonderful luncheon, all of Willard's friends and neighbors in Middle, and Marengo American Legion Post 76 and the US Army Honor Guard for conducting military honors."



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Dear Amana Society Shareholders,

As the new candidate on the ballot, I wanted to introduce myself and answer some questions that have been sent my way. Born and raised in the Amanas, I have been a shareholder most of my life with keen interest in the success of the Amana Society and its commitment to the people's and community's legacy. Through my parents' lifelong service to the community, I have learned the value of sharing one's experience and strengths to grow and enhance the value that has been built within the Amanas.

While I have lived across the state line in Madison, WI, I return regularly to remain connected to my family and hometown. With a B.S. in Marine Biology and a Ph.D. in Environmental Toxicology, I have worked for 2 different startup technology companies that emerged from the University of Wisconsin and were later acquired by global technology leaders (Roche and Fujifilm). Through this experience, I have learned to deliver to the expectations of our stakeholders and shareholders. I have driven new developments, enhanced efficiencies, and driven profitability initiatives while keeping careful management of positive cultures and employee engagement. I have managed business P&Ls and driven change and restructured when necessary to drive profit and growth.

Growing up in the Amanas, I witnessed the entrepreneurial spirit of my parents and grandparents. I grew up in the shops and services of the Amanas, including a family farm here in Iowa County. I have felt the need to stay connected to this entrepreneurial drive and volunteered for the past 6 years with a local mentoring group in Madison that fosters entrepreneurs across the business spectrum. I help them develop successful businesses and have applied this to many business ventures ranging from scientific technology companies to service industries including 2 breweries, a dog day-care, and several hospitality establishments.

I have received questions about how I would attend the board meetings, and I plan to attend in person the majority of the time, joining virtually only when absolutely unavoidable, as do the other Directors. I understand the Board takes in many factors when making business decisions including value, community, and preservation. I will take into account all data presented to me, which starts with hearing what is important to the shareholders. I would be honored to serve on the Amana Society Board and would appreciate your support.

Rebecca Roemig Selzer

Bulletin

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OBITUARY

Randy J. Moessner unexpectedly left this world on April 24, 2024 at his home in Millersburg. Per his children's wishes, Randy was cremated. At this date, no service is scheduled to take place.

Randy was born June 27, 1966. He was the youngest of four siblings born to Ralph and Loretta Moessner.

Randy was raised in Middle Amana and attended Amana Community Schools, graduating in 1985. During high school me enjoyed hanging out with friends, driving fast cars, playing his music loud and creating a bit of chaos. During his teen years Randy began struggling with addiction and mental health issues and the long term consequences that come with them. He continued to battle this throughout the entirety of his life.

After high school Randy married Kelly Copp and they created three beautiful children. They resided in Marengo and later divorced.

Later, Randy married Heidi Buswell and Heidi became Step-Mom to his children. The couple resided in West Amana and also later divorced.

Randy first began working at Ralph's Sanitation, the successful business created and grown by his father. When the business closed Randy worked for Manpower, Thermogas in Marengo, Amana Society Plumbing and Heating and various other businesses. He was skilled at driving truck, enjoyed working with hands and could fix almost anything.

He was proceeded in death by his father, Ralph Moessner; and mother, Loretta Simpson.

He is survived by his daughter, Rebecca (Brent) Mullin of Cedar Rapids; his son, Skyler Moessner of Marengo; and daughter Star (Berstler) of Marengo; Grandchildren Kimmie, Lex and Jasper Mullin and Skylajane Moessner, and his siblings.

OBITUARY

Patricia L. Starbuck, 77 of Fulton, Illinois formerly of Portage, Indiana passed away Sunday, April 14, 2024, after a long courageous battle with Parkinson's disease. She was a passionate advocate for Parkinson's and was the facilitator of the Parkinson's support group in NW Indiana.

Patricia was born in South Amana, Iowa on January 9, 1947, the daughter of Herbert F. and Adaline

(Duda) Zuber. She was a graduate of Amana High School.

Patricia was the Executive Director for the Center for Possibilities in New Chicago, Indiana for 30 years, caring for children and adults with developmental disabilities. After her retirement from the center, she served on the Board of Directors.

Patricia's compassion, love and friendship will forever be remembered and cherished by her family and friends. Her passing leaves a void in the hearts of those who knew her.

Survivors include her daughter Brenda (Craig) Vanderploeg, Fulton, Illinois; Son, Chad Starbuck, Fulton, IL; her grandchildren: Jessica, Nicole and Joshua Vanderploeg; Brother; Thomas (Janet) Zuber of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and 3 Nieces.



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MAY 4TH

- MaiFest 2PM: Live reading of "ABCs of the Forest" by Olivia Calaway (perfect for children ages 18 months - 5 years)
- · MaiFest All Day: Pick a pretty ribbon, win a fun prize!

MAY 6-11

 National Children's Book Week: Visit the bookstore for new picture books, chapter books, and classics for kids of all ages!

COMPANION/PET

Looking for a home for a friendly, healthy, senior male cat. Moving to an apartment and cannot take him. Would be happiest with a single person or couple. Contact Tony Grimm or Carmen Grimm. 319-389-3694.

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Honoring her wishes, cremation rites have been accorded. A gathering took place at Mc-Donald Funeral Home in Fulton, IL on April 20, 2024, followed by services and Interment at Fulton Township Cemetery.

HELP WANTED

We are hiring! All kitchen jobs, full or part-time, starting at age 14. Will work with school and sports schedules. Part-time host needed as well. Nights and weekends required. Stop in and get an application!" Ronneburg Restaurant 4408 220th Trl 319-622-3641

The Amana Colonies Visitor Center is seeking a Visitor Center Customer Support Associate.If you would like to help people learn about what Amana has to offer, we would love to have you at the Amana Colonies Visitors Center. This position includes retail and tour sales, assisting visitors with questions and providing them with resources. Flexible schedule is available. Stop in or contact us at director@amanacolonies.com for more information.

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Sunday they will perform: 11 a.m. at the Amana General Store; 12:30 at the Amana Meat Shop; 1:15 at the Festhalle and 2 p.m. at the Millstream Brau Haus. Should it rain all Maifest dances will take place at the Festhalle.

The parade is at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The "World of Food" food fair is at the Festhalle with the Amana Heritage Society's delicious potato pancakes and fruit kuchen a featured item. Multiple food trucks are expected offering pop-up dishes. 10 a.m. -4 p.m.

There's lots of entertainment scheduled this year at the Festhalle – and it's free. All Natural performs 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. followed by the rollicking Blame Not the Bard at 2:30 and our own Swampland Jewels (featuring local Forrest Heusinkveld) from 3:30 to 5 p.m. At 5 p.m. Blame Not the Bard is back to close out the day!

Sunday afternoon come back to the Festhalle for more fun with Blame not the Bard at noon, the Maipole dancers and All Natural.

On our Maifest to do list:

Friday, May 3, starting at 5 p.m. Millstream Brewing Co. will host a Rock 108 Maibock release party with a special performance by the Amana Maipole Folk Dancers.

Saturday, May 4 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m the Amana Arts Guild Gallery on Main in Amana hosts an artist pop-up vendor show/ sale.

Saturday starting at 11 a.m. the Ronneburg's lawn party is on with Barefoot Becky and the band on the front lawn (or indoors should the weather dictate). Burgers, brats and beer/ sodas. 11 - 4 p.m. and oompah music.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Amana Library will host an ImpactLife Blood Drive on Tuesday, May 14 from 1:30 to 6:30. The Drive will be held in the Donor Bus, Amana Library/Elementary Parking Lot, 3023 220th Trail, Middle Amana.

As a special THANK YOU, all donors will receive a t-shirt or \$20 gift card! Potential donors must be at least 17, weigh more than 110 pounds, and possess a photo ID to donate. Please eat and hydrate before donating. Walk-ins are accepted. Appointments are preferred. Whole Blood and Double Red Cell will be available to donate. To sign up, please call the Amana Library 319-622-3192 or email amanalibrary@ccaschools.org to schedule a time.



Warped and Woven hosts special fest activities on Saturday including talks by Ranger Chelsea of the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and Museum sharing lowa history and lore.

Fireside Winery in the Village will open their winegarten 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. with meat and cheese flights, wine flights and more.

Ackerman Winery will feature French pastries by Sandrine and yes, there will be a unique wine and macaron pairing flight for you to try plus iced fruity, "winegaritas."

Saturday 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. Millstream Brewing Co will host the Barry Boyce Band and our favorite, Joel Berger. They'll be serving food, beverage and fun. On Sunday the fun at Millstream Brewing Co. continues Hudson and Overly performing 1 - 4 p.m.

Kid's Stuff: cookie decorating and Kinderbags on offer at the Ox Yoke Inn on Saturday and Sunday plus for Sunday brunch, kids 10 and under eat free with an adult brunch purchase. Reservations are a good idea for brunch.

The Kinderplatz next to the Visitor center will have face painting for kids, a balloon artist and more 10:30 - 4 p.m.

Check out Amana's newest shop – Bumblebooks – they'll be hosting a scavenger hunt and activities for kids with a story time at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Kids, build your own box fort on the lawn of Ackerman Winery.Plus all of the Amana Heritage Society sites will be open this weekend with a special – kids free and adults \$10 to see all the sites. The High Amana Store never requires a ticket so come see what they have new for this spring – including locally made crafts.

AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT Ordinance 2024-002

An ordinance amending the Amana Colonies Land Use District Code of Ordinances (Reference Land Use Plan, Phase II – Division 3.0 – Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances)

Be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Amana Colonies Land Use District by a vote at their April 8, 2024 Regular Meeting that effective April 8, 2024, Section 31.37.170 be amended to include the following change (underlined): Definitions And Interpretation: Special Event Sign. A temporary sign advertising the occasion and location of community events, including, but not limited to fairs, festivals, and celebrations open to the general public and hosted by 501(c)(3)s, schools, organizations of public benefit and churches.

This ordinance modification is to clarify which types of entities are allowed to have temporary special event signs displayed. It was moved by Emilie Hoppe and seconded

by Bruce Trumpold that the ordinance amendment be adopted. The motion passed unanimously with the following Trustees present and voting: Joe Parcell, Bruce Trumpold, Tyler Stockman, Norine Magee, Peter Hoehnle, Emilie Hoppe and Lynn Trumpold.

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As time went by, my sister and husband bought a Wyeth print as a wedding gift for Charlemagne and myself. Later, I bought my own print of "Christina's World." I also became fascinated by another Wyeth painting showing curtains blowing gently in the breeze, and it became my mission to get curtains like those pictured.

After many years, I finally located similar curtains and they, along with a print of the painting that inspired me, hang in our living room today. These simple scenes of Wyeth's work continue to inspire me, and I am reminded of them every time I look out my window.

B.S.H.

THANK YOU TO THE COMMUNITY CHEST

The Amana Colonies Trails would like to thank the Amana Community Chest for its generous contribution. The money is being used for a section of trail replacement in front of the school and that was just completed last week. And we have purchased some replacement historical markers and those will be installed this summer. Last year's contribution was used to replace two sections of trail. Our sincere thanks to the Community Chest for the donation and to all that contribute to their annual fundraiser.

AMANA COLONIES LAND USE DISTRICT Ordinance 2024-001

An ordinance amending the Amana Colonies Land Use District Code of Ordinances (Reference Land Use Plan, Phase II – Division 3.0 – Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances)

Be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Amana Colonies Land Use District by a vote at their April 8, 2024 Regular Meeting that effective April 8, 2024, Section 31.36.060(A)(1)(c) be amended to include the following change (underlined): Adaptive reuse of historic agricultural structures and uses to residential and limited commercial uses, such as but not limited to a museum, interpretive center, office craft center, storage. In their consideration of the proposed structural reuse, the Trustees and HPC shall give consideration to the design and compatibility of the structure with the surrounding agricultural uses and structures. In their consideration the Trustees and the HPC shall also be guided by the standards set forth in Section 31.36.050, D of this ordinance.

This ordinance modification would allow more flexibility in potentially converting HP barn structures into some type of residence. It was moved by Emilie Hoppe and seconded by Tyler Stockman that the ordinance amendment be adopted. The motion passed unanimously with the following Trustees present and voting: Joe Parcell, Bruce Trumpold, Tyler Stockman, Norine Magee, Peter Hoehnle, Emilie Hoppe and Lynn Trumpold.



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